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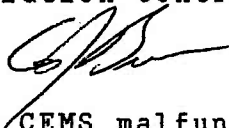


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May 9, 1994

By FAX

TO: Mr. Fred Austin
Puget Sound Air Pollution Control Agency

FROM: Gerald J. Brown 

COPY: Seattle Plant SO2 CEMS malfunction.

This is intended to inform you of a malfunction in the SO2 CEMS analyzer which was confirmed late afternoon Friday, May 6, 1994. The cause of the malfunction, which began earlier in the week, could not be identified and the instrument was removed for diagnostics and repair at LS Monitor Labs.

To maintain compliance with emission limits in the interim, Mr. Tracy Prevo, Valid Results was contacted to provide a temporary SO2 monitor (Bovar 721 ATM UV SO2 analyzer), maintain instrument calibration and verify the results daily. Mr Prevo began monitoring the evening of May 6 and will continue until the repaired LS instrument or the new analyzer is installed.

Ash Grove personnel make frequent checks of the instrument to insure compliance with the limit and continued instrument operation.

Please advise of additional requirements or if you have any questions.

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